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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS—Legislative Committee
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 11:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED:	August 23, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

James Elder, LCDP
Dr. Todd Grande, Ph.D., LPCMH
Daniel Cooper, LPCMH
Dr. William Northey, LMFT
Dr. Rosemary Madl-Young, LCDP

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Jennifer Singh, Deputy Attorney General
Nicole Williams, Administrative Specialist III

CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Grande called the Committee meeting to order at 11:15 a.m.

Review and Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes for review.

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion of regulation changes in light of HB 82

The Committee reviewed and discussed HB 82. Ms. Singh advised the Committee to discuss and determine what other types of exams would be acceptable in lieu of the National Counselors Exam (NCE). Dr. Northey provided background on the drive for the change for the NBCC certification. The Committee discussed checking into other types of exams that may be comparable to the NCE exam.

The Committee discussed adding in an additional section for 3.1.5 of the regulations for the APRN-Adult Psychiatry and APRN-Child Psychiatry as well as CNS-Behavioral Specialist as acceptable supervisors. The Committee discussed a supervisor's clinical experience and how that experience correlates to the profession. Ms. Singh suggested rewriting the supervision requirements in the regulations entirely. The Committee determined that acceptable supervision is a LPCMH and then would determine the other terms as to what could be considered as an alternative to the LPCMH supervisor.

The Committee discussed a provision to state that the applicant can obtain a percentage of experience hours under the supervision of a LPCMH and the remaining hours under an alternative supervisor.

The Committee discussed a proposed change to regulation 2.1.4.1.1 regarding the number of required hours of face-to-face supervision. Ms. Singh will draft regulations regarding supervision in its entirety focusing mainly on the LPCMH as the supervisor and then determine alternative supervision that is considered acceptable to the Board. The Committee will review the proposed drafted regulations at their next available Committee meeting.

Discussion of CE Approval for teaching graduate-level counseling courses

The Committee discussed regulation 2.3.2.2.3.3 which states “teaching academic or CE courses, presentation of original papers, or the writing of a peer-reviewed article may account for up to 20 CE hours. These hours are to be documented by an official transcript, syllabus, or a copy of the published paper presented.” Dr. Grande inquired if the graduate courses taught under that rule would require pre-approval by the Board. The Committee determined that it would not require pre-approval.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence for the Committee to review or discuss.

Other Business before the Committee (For Discussion Only)

There was no other business before the Committee for discussion.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Meeting Date

The Committee’s next meeting is scheduled for June 28, 2017, at 11:00 a.m., in Conference Room A, of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware.

Adjournment

Dr. Grande made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper, to adjourn. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Nicole Williams
Administrative Specialist III

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.